

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION**

**AUTOMED TECHNOLOGIES,
INC.,**

Plaintiff,

v.

1:04-cv-1152-WSD

**KNAPP LOGISTICS &
AUTOMATION, INC. and KNAPP
LOGISTIK AUTOMATION
GmbH,**

Defendants.

OPINION AND ORDER


This matter is before the Court on Knapp Logistics and Automation, Inc.’s (“Knapp US”) Supplement to Defendants’ Bills of Costs [198]. Knapp US advises the Court that “branding” entails costs for “the process of electronically applying bates numbering and confidentiality designations to documents that were produced to Automed in Electronic format” (Supplement to Defendants’ Bills of Costs at 2.) “Branding” bates numbers or confidentiality designations onto documents is not a cost reasonably necessary to the litigation. See e.g., Williams v. Taser Intern., Inc., slip. op., 2006 WL 1835437, *6 (N.D.Ga., June 30, 2006)(“Under no

circumstances, however, shall Plaintiff be required to bear any other costs
[including] labeling responsive documents. . .). Automated Technologies shall be
taxed \$33,757.85 (\$43,912.61 previously assessed by the Court – \$6,137.84
scanning cost – \$4016.92 “branding” cost)

Based on the foregoing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Automated Technologies shall be
taxed \$33,757.85 in costs.

SO ORDERED this 30th day of October, 2006.



WILLIAM S. DUFFEY, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE